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[Despatch Abstract.]

Grow more food--Accelerated and Ceded districts modified well subsidy Schemes--Progress Report for November 48--Boards' Review--Recorded.

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Abstract.

Grow More Food - Well subsidy Schemes - Accelerated and Ceded Districts Modified Scheme - Sinking of new wells and repairs to old wells - Progress Report for the month ending November 1948.

Res.Rt.No.315.

Station:Chepauk, Madras. Dated 20th January 1949.

From

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Joint Secretary. Board of Revenue.

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Read the following:- Reports from the Collectors.

Resolution:

The Board submits to the Government its review on the working of the Accelerated and Ceded Districts Modified Schemes during November 1948.

2. The returns were due to the Board from the Collectors on 10.12.1948. The majority of the Collectors submitted their reports in time. In spite of the issue of an advance reminder, a telegraphic reminder and a D.O. reminder, the reports from the Collectors of Chingleput, Kurnool, Tanjore South Arcot, Vizagapatam, Nellore, Cuddapah, Krishna and South Kanara were received after a delay ranging from 2 to 21 days. The report from the Collector of Nellore was the last to be received. It is very unsatisfactory that the reports on these schemes which have already come to a close should be delayed. The Government have directed that the Board's future review should be submitted on the prescribed date. The Government its review in time by the punctual submission of their reports. There can be no justification ~~on~~ for any delay in the submission of the reports in view of the fact that they have to be prepared only for the treasury months.

3. The following table will show at a glance the progress made in the working of the two schemes during and upto the month of November 1948.

No. of wells subsidised		No. of wells completed during November 1948		No. of wells completed upto November 1948.		No. of wells in progress.	
Name of the scheme.	New Wells.	Old wells	New wells.	Old wells.	New wells.	Old wells.	New wells.	old wells.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)

Accelerated scheme.	61609	30721	410	273	45261	25996	8501	1311
Ceded Districts Modified scheme.	1959	531	27	Nil	495	278	981	22

No. of wells not yet started recovery ordered and write off sanctioned.		Additional area brought under irrigation.		Additional quantity of food grains produced.		Remarks.
		Acres.-		Tons.		
New wells. (10)	Old wells. (11)	New wells (12)	Old wells. (13)	New wells. (14)	Old wells. (15)	(16)
Accelerated Scheme.	7847	3414	59040.54	32545.07	30509.57	16846.04
Ceded Districts Modified Scheme.	483	231	935.00	432.20	438.00	231.50

The Board observes that there is a large variation in the total number of wells reported to have been completed up to the previous month as reported in the last month's return and in column 4(a) of the present return in Chittoor and Kurnool have explained that the decrease is due to the submission of revised reports by the Tahsildars. The Collectors of Coimbatore has not offered any explanation for the variation. The Board is unable to understand how there could be any variation if the Inspecting Officers are careful in nothing down their remarks. Such variations should not be allowed to recur.

* and Coimbatore Dts. The Collectors of Kurnool and Chittoor

No new wells were completed during the month in 8 districts, and the progress was only nominal in 8 others, which is highly unsatisfactory.

The decrease in the figures relating to total area brought under irrigation in respect of the new wells under the *Ceded Districts Modified Scheme compared with the figures furnished by the Collectors of North Arcot and Anantapur respectively. The discrepancies have been pointed out in the appendix to these Proceedings. The Collectors are requested to see that all variations are explained in future.

* Accelerated scheme and in respect of the old wells under the

The number of new wells still in progress is very large in Chingleput, Chittoor, Salem, North Arcot, Nellore and Ramnad. It is presumed that the Collectors are taking action for the recovery of the subsidy granted in all cases where the works were not completed by 30.6.43.

The Board regrets to observe that some discrepancies still persist in the reports reveived from the Collectors.

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They are shown in the appendix to these Proceedings. Collectors are requested to see that correct returns are submitted reconciling all discrepancies.

The Collector of Vizagapatam has furnished consolidated figures for both new and old wells both in respect of the area brought under irrigation and additional quantity of food grains produced. It has been pointed out to him repeatedly that separate figures for new wells and old wells should be furnished.

The attention of the Collectors of South Arcot, Cuddapah and East Godavari is invited to the instructions given in para 5 of B.P. Rt. No.8237, dated 14.12.48. They are requested to see that the instructions are carefully followed in the preparation of future returns.

As the time granted for the completion of the well works, both new and old, subsidised under the two schemes in question expired 1 long age, Collectors are requested to see that a special drive is made for the inspection of those wells and the early preparation of completion reports. Early cases where recoveries have to be made.

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for Joint Secretary.

To The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, with statement and appendix.
To The Collector of all districts except Madras and the Nilgiris with the appendix.
Copy to the Special Deputy Collectors for wells.
Copy to the Director of Agriculture, Madras.
Copy to the Secretary to the Ceded Districts Economic Development Board, Madras, with extracts of statements for the districts of Chittoor, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Bellary and Anantapur.

APPENDIX.

Districts.	No. of column.	Figures ought to be according to the previous review.	Figures furnished now by the Collectors.	Remarks.
		Accelerated Scheme. (New Wells).		
Coimbatore	4(a)	1,924	1,921	Figure in column 4(c) of the previous month should be equal to figure in column 4(a) of the statement under review.
Guntur.	9	196	Nil	The Board adopted the last month's figure.

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North Arcot.	10	10,465,00	7,860.00	Decrease not explained.
		Old Wells.		
Guntur	3	46,332	46,372	Variation not explained. The Board adopted the last month's figure.
South Arcot.	10	1,275.00	994.00	Decrease not explained.
	11	544.00	356.00	
North Arcot.	11	2,871.00	6,748.00	Sudden increase. The figure appears to be a clerical mistake.
Vizagapatam.	10			Separate figures have not been furnished for old and new wells.
	Ceded Districts Modified Scheme. (Old wells).			
Anantapur.	3	92,500	92,590	Increase not explained.

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for Joint Secretary.

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